## **VA Visitation Policy:**

While rest and quiet are essential to the healing process, the VA of Southern Nevada Health System (VASNHS) staff recognizes the importance of having social and emotional support in the recovery process.

Patient visitation is encouraged unless unwanted by the patient, or by the attending physician's documentation in the electronic health record that visiting hours are restricted due to the patient's medical and/or emotional condition.

The VASNHS personnel respect a patient's right for self-determination to make decisions about his/her care, treatment and services and to involve family members, friends or caregivers in the decisions to the extent permitted by the patient or surrogate decision-maker. The VA defines family as a group of two or more persons united by blood, or adoption, marriage, domestic partnership, or other legal ties.

Any and all questions regarding the Non-Discrimination Policy may be directed to the Veteran's Care Coordinator, David Jenkins, at <a href="mailto:David.Jenkins@va.gov">David.Jenkins@va.gov</a>.